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TAGS: OVIP (LOWENSTEIN, ALLARD)

SUBJECT: LOWENSTEIN VISIT

REF: USIA 20272

1. AMBASSADOR PINHEIRO CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY
TODMAN AFTERNOON JULY 28 REGARDING LOWENSTEIN VISIT.
READING FROM INSTRUCTIONS HE SAID THEY WERE HAPPY TO
RECEIVE LOWENST:IN BUT A ITAMARATY HAD NOT BEEN ABLE YO
GET ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE EMBASSY HE WISHED
TO MAKE FURTHER INQUIRIES. SPECIFICALLY, WOULD THE VISIT
BE OFFICIAL OR PRIVATE; WHO INVITED HIM; WHAT ARE THE
SUBJECTS HE INTENDED TO ADDRESS; AND WHAT KIND OF AUDIENCE
DID HE WISH TO ADDRESS? PINHEIRO SAID IT WOULD BE
IMPOSSIBLE TO IGNORE THE FACT THAT LOWENSTEIN, AS A
DIPLOMATIC AGENT OF THE US, WOULD BY HIS ACTIVITIES
NECESSARILY HAVE AN IMPACT ON US-BRAZIL BILATERAL RELAT-
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IONS. WE MUST AVOID DIFFICULTIES THAT COULD ARISE WERE
LOWENSTEIN TO RAISE POLEMICAL SUBJECTS SUSCEPTIBLE TO EASY
EXPLOITATION BY THE PRESS. PUTTING ASIDE HIS INSTRUCTI-
ONS, PINHEIRO SAID HE BELIEVED THAT BOTH COUNTRIES WERE
DEEPLY DEVOTED TO MAINTAINING THE BEST POSSIBLE RELATIONS;

THAT S A JOINT RESPONSIBILITY. THERE ARE NO ISSUES

BETWEEN US, HE CONTINUED, ON WHICH WE DO NOT AGREE IN SUBSTANCE; OUR DISAGREEMENTS RELATE TO THE MEANS OF ACHIEVING CERTAIN GOALS WHICH BOTH NATIONS MUTUALLY ESPOUSE.

2. THE NATURE OF LOWENSTEIN'S TRIP WAS EXPLAINED TO PINHEIRO AND HE WAS INFORMED OF THE KIND OF PROGRAMMING THE EMBASSY WAS CONSIDERING. (RUSER-RONDON TELECON OF JULY 28). ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN ASKED PINHEIRO WHETHER HE HAD ANY VIEWS REGARDING THE KINDS OF THINGS LOWENSTEIN OUGHT TO DO OR AVOID DOING, E.G., A SPEECH TO A GROUP OF PEOPLE. PINHEIRO REPLIED THAT HE PERSONALLY HAD NO PARTICULAR VIEWS. EVERYTHING DEPENDED ON THE KIND OF APPROACH TAKEN. THE CONCERN OF HIS GOVERNMENT WAS RELATED TO UNNECESSARY EXPLOITATION OF A SENSITIVE SUBJECT. A TALK BY A HIGH OFFICER OF THE USG, ON AN OFFICIAL VISIT AND ON A TOUCHY SUBJECT, MIGHT BE MISCONSTRUED AS INTERFERENCE IN BRAZIL'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

4. PINHEIRO DEPARTED WITHOUT FURTHER COMMENT ON THIS SUBJECT. VANCE

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